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REMARKS

Claims 1 and 2 have been amended above to clarify the claimed invention.

The base, which the piercing means pierce into, might not be considered as having "two" walls. The areas which the piercing means pierce into are in a single member. Thus, this might only be considered one wall. Thus, claim 1 is proposed to be amended above to merely recite a wall rather than two walls. This change is not intended to broaden or narrow the scope of the claim, but merely clarify the claimed invention in view of the detailed description and drawings.

In regard to claim 2, "two piercing means" are not explicitly recited in claim 1, so it appears appropriate to merely recite "piercing means". This change to claim 2 is also merely for clarification purposes only, and is not intended to narrow or enlarge the scope of the claim.

Accordingly, favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested. Should any unresolved issue remain, the examiner is invited to call applicant's attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

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